

SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME



VESPERS, WEEK A

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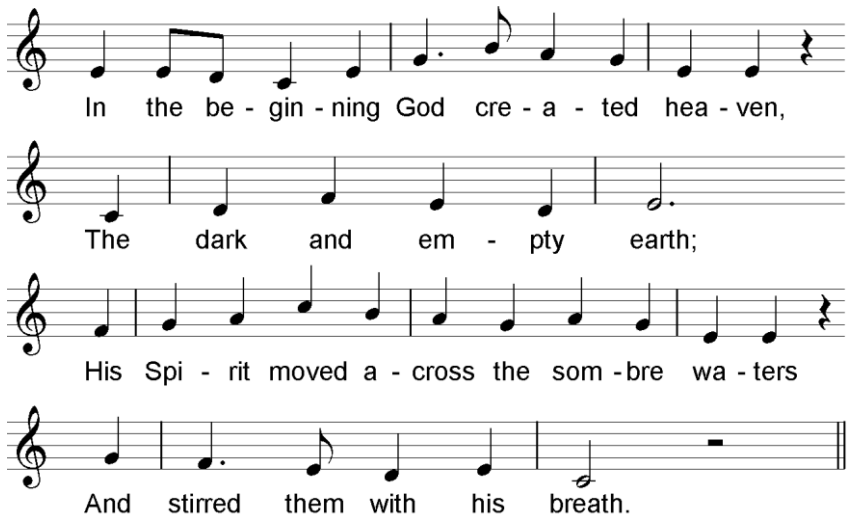
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O God, come to our aid,
O Lord, make haste to help us.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now
and shall be for ever, amen. Alleluia!

HYMN

WEEK A

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In the be - gin - ning God cre - a - ted hea - ven,
The dark and em - pty earth;
His Spi - rit moved a - cross the som - bre wa - ters
And stirred them with his breath.

Then God created light, and with its coming
The dark was swept away;
The morning came and then the quiet evening,
The end of God's first day.

To God, the Father of the world, give glory,
With Christ, his only Son,
Who with the Spirit govern all creation:
Blest Trinity in One.

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ANTIPHON 1: The Lord * will extend his dominion from Zion, and he will reign for ever, alleluia!

Psalm 109



(The Lord's revelation to my Master:
'Sit on my right:
your foes I will put beneath your feet.'

(The Lord will wield from Zion
your sceptre of power:
rule in the midst of all your foes.

(A prince from the day of your birth
on the holy mountains;
from the womb before the dawn I begot you.

(The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change.
'You are a priest for ever,
a priest like Melchizedek of old.'

The Master standing at your right hand
will shatter kings in the day of his wrath.

(He, the Judge of the nations,
will heap high the bodies;
heads shall be shattered far and wide.

He shall drink from the stream by the wayside
and therefore he shall lift up his head.

Glory be to the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit,
both now and for ever, amen.

ANTIPHON 1: The Lord * will extend his dominion from Zion, and he will reign for ever, alleluia!

ANTIPHON 2: Serve * the Lord with awe, and trembling pay him your homage.

Psalm 2



Why this tumult among nations,
among peoples this useless murmuring?
They arise, the kings of the earth,
princes plot against the Lord and his Anointed.
'Come, let us break their fetters,
come, let us cast off their yoke.'

He who sits in the heavens laughs;
the Lord is laughing them to scorn.
Then he will speak in his anger,
his rage will strike them with terror.
'It is I who have set up my king
on Zion, my holy mountain.'

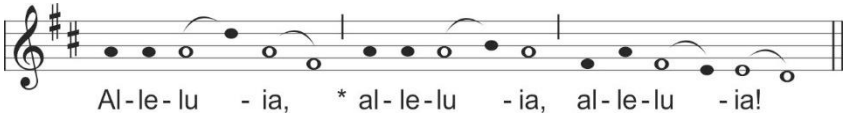
(I will announce the decree of the Lord:
The Lord said to me: 'You are my son.
It is I who have begotten you this day.
Ask and I shall bequeath you the nations,
put the ends of the earth in your possession.
With a rod of iron you will break them,
shatter them like a potter's jar.'

Now, O kings, understand,
take warning, rulers of the earth;
serve the Lord with awe
and trembling, pay him your homage
(lest he be angry and you perish;
for suddenly his anger will blaze.
Blessed are they who put their trust in God.

Glory be to the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit,
both now and for ever, amen.

ANTIPHON 2: Serve * the Lord with awe, and trembling pay him your homage.

ANTIPHON 3



(from Rv 21 and 22)

I saw the holy city, Jerusalem,
coming down from God out of heaven.
It had all the radiant glory of God
and shone like a precious stone.

I could see no temple in the city,
since the Lord God and the Lamb were themselves the temple;
nor did it need the sun or moon for light,
since it was lit by God's glory and the Lamb was a lighted torch.

By its light shall the nations live
and the kings of the earth will bring it their treasures.
Its gates will never be shut by day,
and in that city there shall be no night.

The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in its place,
and his servants will worship him.
They will see him face to face,
and his name will be written on their foreheads.

It will never be night again,
they will need neither lamplight nor sun,
for the Lord God will be shining on them,
and they will reign for ever and ever!

The Spirit and the Bride say: 'Come!'
Let all who listen, answer: 'Come!'
Indeed, I am coming soon.
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now
and shall be for ever, amen.

REPEAT ANTIPHON

ANTIPHON 4: Sing * to the Lord with rejoicing.

Psalm 46



All peoples, clap your hands,
cry to God with shouts of joy!
For the Lord, the most high, we must fear,
great king over all the earth.

He subdues peoples under us
and nations under our feet.
Our inheritance, our glory, is from him,
given to Jacob out of love.

God goes up with shouts of joy;
the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.
Sing praise for God, sing praise,
sing praise to our king, sing praise.

God is king of all the earth,
Sing praise with all your skill.
God is king over the nations;
God reigns on his holy throne.

The princes of the peoples are assembled
with the people of Abraham's God.
The rulers of the earth belong to God,
to God who reigns over all.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now
and shall be for ever, amen.

ANTIPHON 4: Sing * to the Lord with rejoicing.

SCRIPTURE READING

RESPONSORY

Blessed are you, O Lord, in the vault of heaven. *(repeat)*

You are exalted and glorified above all else for ever:

In the vault of heaven.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Blessed are you, O Lord, in the vault of heaven.



MAGNIFICAT

This is preceded by an antiphon related to the Sunday gospel.



Canticle of Mary

(Luke 1:46–55)

My soul glorifies the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God, my Saviour.
He looks on his servant in her lowliness;
henceforth all ages will call me blessed.

The Almighty works marvels for me.
Holy his name!
His mercy is from age to age,
on those who fear him.

He puts forth his arm in strength
and scatters the proud-hearted.
He casts the mighty from their thrones
and raises the lowly.

He fills the starving with good things,
sends the rich away empty.

He protects Israel, his servant,
remembering his mercy,
the mercy promised to our fathers,
to Abraham and his sons for ever.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now
and shall be for ever, amen.

REPEAT ANTIPHON

INTERCESSIONS

OUR FATHER

(said by the Superior)

CONCLUDING PRAYER

LET US BLESS THE LORD
THANKS BE TO GOD

May the divine assistance remain always with us.
And with our absent brothers and sisters. Amen.

